WHEREAS, Fire, rescue, and emergency personnel risk their lives on a daily basis to provide essential emergency services to the citizens of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly intends to recognize the valuable contributions and proud history of fire, rescue, and emergency personnel throughout the State during National Fire Prevention Week each year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Governor, the County Executives or County Commissioners in each county, and the Mayors of each municipality are urged to issue a proclamation on the Sunday of National Fire Prevention Week in October of each year:

- (1) to honor paid and volunteer fire fighters, emergency medical technicians, rescue personnel, and sworn officers of the State Fire Marshal's Office;
- (2) to encourage appropriate memorial services for deceased members of paid and volunteer fire fighters, emergency medical technicians, rescue personnel, and sworn officers of the State Fire Marshal's Office; and
- (3) to encourage the holding of an open house and other appropriate activities at fire, emergency, and rescue facilities throughout the State so that the public may attend fire safety lectures and become more aware of the critical public services that fire, emergency, and rescue personnel render to the citizens of this State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Reference to the Honorable William Donald Schaefer, Governor of Maryland; the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; the Honorable R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr., Speaker of the House of Delegates; Rocco J. Gabriele, State Fire Marshal, 106 Old Court Road, Suite 300, Pikesville, MD 21208; William J. Fleshman, President, Maryland State Firemen's Association, 17 State Circle, Annapolis, MD 21401; Ron Milor, President, Maryland-District of Columbia Professional Fire Fighters Association, 3106 Mitchellville Road, Bowie, MD 20716; and John R. Frazier, Chief, Baltimore City Fire Department, 1100 Hillen Street, Baltimore, MD 21202.

Signed May 26, 1994.

Joint Resolution No. 9

(House Joint Resolution No. 17)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Adoption of Opportunity to Learn Standards for Maryland Public Schools

FOR the purpose of requesting the State Board of Education to adopt Opportunity to Learn Standards for all Maryland Public schools in consultation with state teacher and parent organizations and in response to assessments conducted at each school site; directing the State Department of Education to assist local Boards of